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REVISION. NO. IV.

The Senate has adopted a resolution, introduced by Senator Carter, calling for a detailed report from the Department of Agriculture on the culture of beets, the development of the beet sugar industry in recent years, and other data concerning sugar.

This resolution is cleverly drawn for the very apparent purpose of drawing out the most satisfactory statement possible from the standpoint of the beet sugar interest. It is plain on the face of the demand that the department is going to reply with a brief in behalf of the present tariff or something like it, on the ground that it is necessary in order to protect the infant beet sugar industry.

But the unfairness of the inquiry which is thus ordered is so apparent that the report will hardly mislead. For instance, the report is to include:

The most recent available data regarding the retail price of sugar in Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Brussels, Amsterdam, Madrid, Rome, and other important cities of continental Europe.

Now, the consumption tax on sugar is levied practically everywhere in Europe, and is generally very heavy. Sugar in Europe is somewhat cheaper than before the government bounties were removed, but it is not on a basis fairly to be judged by retail prices because of the artificial interferences with the retailing of sugar at natural prices. There is no demand for reports on sugar in London, yet London is the great world market of cheap sugar; neither is there demand for export prices or wholesale prices in the European cities; yet the export price on German beet sugar—sugar sold at a profit—is very low, while the consumption tax makes the cost to the user greater than the cost in the United States.

Senator Carter's resolution is a masterpiece in its way; but it is plainly designed to call forth a thoroughly unfair presentation of one aspect of the sugar industry. The resolution, which follows, is the evidence of this purpose:

1. The number of beet sugar factories in operation in the United States in 1896; also, the total United States production of beet sugar in the year 1896.
2. The number of beet sugar factories which have been erected in the United States each year since 1896; also, the present approximate investment by American beet sugar factories, including machinery, buildings, lands, irrigating systems, tools, implements, and working capital.3. The annual production of beet sugar in the United States since 1896; also, the approximate amount received annually by American farmers from the sale of sugar beets from 1896 to date.
4. The effect which the establishment of American beet sugar factories has had on values of surrounding farm land; also, on local business generally; also, on the local production of live stock; also on the tonnage production of other crops raised in rotation with beets; also, on the thriftiness, prosperity, and general cultural methods of American farmers engaged in the culture of sugar beets; also, as American farmers become familiar with the beet culture, are they, as a rule, more inclined, or are they less inclined, to engage in raising sugar beets?

5. The most recent available data regarding the retail price of sugar in Paris, Berlin, Vienna, Brussels, Amsterdam, Madrid, Rome, and other important cities of continental Europe.

6. The methods which have been pursued by the Department of Agriculture in order to determine the beet sugar area of the United States; also, what States are now known to be adapted to the culture of sugar beets; also, what amount of beet sugar could be produced annually in the United States.

7. What pamphlets, bulletins, or other literature have been issued on this subject by the Department of Agriculture during the past twelve years.

What is needed is an inquiry into the whole sugar business; a history of it; an investigation into the system of bounties which were paid in Europe from Napoleon's time down to 1903; an explanation of how the industry of making beet sugar, supposed to be entirely dependent on the bounties, survived their withdrawal; a setting forth of the facts about the vast increase in the world supply of sugar and the tendency to downward prices—outside the United States; an investigation

of the immense industrial significance of cheap sugar as a means to sustaining collateral industries in Great Britain; an inquiry into the finances, earnings, profits, investment, etc., of the American Sugar trust; a study of the relations of the Sugar trust to the beet and cane sugar industries of this country and of the operations and profits of independent makers and refiners of sugar; a consideration of the competitive methods by which the Sugar trust smothered competition.

These are the things the country needs; a few of them. This is no time to bring forward a brief for the beet sugar industry, prepared by the thoroughly prejudiced and narrow beet sugar "experts" of the Department of Agriculture. It is the time for fair consideration of all aspects. Some Senator should at once submit a resolution which will bring forth the elucidation of this wider view.

WILLIAM MORRIS STEWART A
LINK WITH THE PAST.

One of the nation's strongest links with the past is broken in the death of William Morris Stewart. It was enough to give his life particular interest that he shared in the Congressional responsibilities of the close of the rebellion, that he participated in the trial of a President of the United States and voted guilty, that as a pioneer of the mountain West he made three fortunes and lost two. But his life went back to the California fever of '49, to the day of the vigilantes, to service as State's attorney and attorney general when the law was taken in a man's own hands and championship of the ordered courses of the courts revealed more courage than many battlefield.

To Washington this man gave, as much of his life as to the West. He was a factor in the Capital's development. The same foresight that blessed his business ventures beyond the foothills made him an investor in Washington real estate about Dupont Circle in a day when a swamp separated that region from the more populous sections of the District and a drive to "Stewart Castle" had the general character of today's drive to Chevy Chase.

His period passed before him. He lived out of the affiliations which affected the greater part of his life. He was almost the last survivor of his generation in public service. His type is not passing and should never pass from our nation; but he was one of the few of that type who kept to the old picturesque and the old independence of the patterned conventionalities of today.

A GOOD START FOR THE COM-
MERCIAL CLUB.

The city will profit through a commercial club organized and managed on the highest plane. The Board of Trade is now essentially an association for general civic improvement. The Chamber of Commerce is essentially an association to make this a better town to make money in. Neither undertakes to provide its members with opportunity for continued social intercourse, to bring the business men of the city together at luncheon, to provide a place for the entertainment of visiting business men.

Trade in America ranks with the professions. Discrimination against men engaged in business is discrimination against the foremost men of the nation. For that very reason it is important that a commercial club shall reflect in Washington the highest standards of club equipment, the best taste, the most rigid conditions as to elections to membership.

Gauged by the list of incorporators to this new organization for the Capital is to fulfill all these conditions. The house upon which the committee has fixed is in every way admirable and in many ways distinctive among American club quarters. The incorporators are splendidly representative. They may be expected to see that the management is business-like and efficient. They will then have provided themselves and the city with a house properly representative of Washington business life.

Ab. Ham. appeared in public and received an ovation. They must have a surplus of ovations in stock over there, or else maybe they want to entice him closer, so they can give him something else.

Castro is reported to have ridden in a taxicab in Paris. They regard it there as evidence of poverty, but on this side—well, hardly.

A very eminent faunal naturalist, now considerably in the public eye, would confer a favor by letting a waiting world know whether in the simplified spelling it is to be called hippopotamus or hippopotami.

It is a good sign that the Senators are disposed to forego the rhetorical exercise of discussing free trade and protection, and get down to the real business of figuring whether there is any excuse for raising prohibitive schedules, and such like details.

Long list of gentlemen who for a considerable period of years have not deemed it safe to go into Kentucky, have received permission to travel there if they like, but the feeling is strong that they will not much avail themselves of it.

This story about Senator Depew being seventy-five years old may be true, but if he invented all those stories of his he can't be less than 200.

Senator William M. Stewart will be longest remembered for that he invented the phrase, "the crime of '75."

Mr. Cannon of Illinois extends his felicitations to Mrs. Scott of Illinois on their respective achievements of the conquest of insurgency.

COMMERCIAL CLUB
SELECTS PROPERTYBegins Negotiations for Purchase of Famous Don
Cameron Mansion.MEMBERS APPROVE
COMMITTEE REPORTOrganization Will Probably Buy
the Old Home for About
\$250,000.

If suitable negotiations can be made, the famous Don Cameron house, in Lafayette square, directly north of the Belasco Theater will doubtless be the home of the Commercial Club of Washington.

This was decided upon at a meeting of the club held in the Board of Trade rooms last night, when the recommendations of the committee on the choice of a home were approved.

The location of the property, which was occupied by Vice President Hobart during his administration, and later by Senator Marcus A. Hanna, makes it especially adaptable to the needs of the Commercial Club. It is within easy reach of several of the interior arrangement and equipment are particularly favorable for club purposes. The house is four stories high and the rooms are unusually large. The walls are decorated with tapestry and silk. A feature of the house is the large number of sleeping porches which could be used for club members and guests.

May Secure Option.
It is understood that, if the Cameron property is leased, a clause will be inserted in the agreement by which the Commercial Club will have an option upon the purchase of the house. The property will rent for about \$5,000, while its selling price is said to be about \$250,000.

The articles of incorporation of the club, which are signed by 105 members, will be filed at once. Considerable discussion arose last night as to whether the name of the organization should be changed to the Washington City Club. It was decided, however, that the original name should be continued, inasmuch as it expresses the real purpose of the association, which is that of bringing together the leading business men of the city.

Dues Are Fixed.
One hundred dollars has been definitely decided upon as the amount of the club's initiation fee. When the decision has been reached regarding the amount of annual dues, it is expected that they will be placed at \$5.
The temporary officers of the club are E. C. Graham, president; D. S. Porter, vice president, and Julius Garlinkie, treasurer.

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GRISCOM HAS RIDE
IN WRIGHT AIRSHIPKing Emmanuel Regrets His Position Will Not Permit Him to Fly.
ROME, April 24.—King Emmanuel of the United States Ambassador Griscom was interested in seeing the Wrights made by Wilbur Wright in his aeroplane this morning.
On the last flight Ambassador Griscom accompanied the aeronaut on the trip, and was shown the management of the machine.

King Emmanuel congratulated Wright on the success of his flight, and after the American ambassador had been taken as a passenger, expressed great regret that his position would not allow him to accept the aeronaut's invitation to accompany him in his third flight.

RIFLES TO BE KEPT
AS RESERVE SUPPLY

Orders Issued to Call Halt on Sale of Discarded Arms.

That orders were issued to call a halt on the sale of discarded arms, rifles, in order that the United States might have a reserve supply of arms for volunteers in case of war, and not because the rifles were being sold to South American revolutionists, was learned at the War Department today.
The announcement that these rifles had been sold to insurgents brought forth a protest from dealers in St. Louis and New York, the only two large dealers in second-hand arm rifles in this country. These firms deny they sold arms in wholesale quantities save to well-known retail dealers, and are sure that no rifles sold by them found their way to revolutionists.

As a result of the order \$30,000 worth of Springfield and nearly the same number of Krag-Jorgensen rifles would be available in case of war, are now stored at various arsenals.

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Capital Tales

Senators On Qui Vive.

The mere mention of an important schedule in the tariff bill on the Senate floor these days brings some Senator to his feet instantaneously.
If the word "tobacco" is heard, Senator Paynter of Kentucky leaps up as if he'd been hit. If the word "cotton" is used, Senator Chandler of South Carolina is at once on guard. If "sugar" is audibly mentioned, Senator Penrose is at a twinkling and "hides" causes a great stir. The word "Massachusetts," Iowa, Nebraska, and Texas.
So it goes.
It is impossible to watch the Senate consideration of tariff for fifteen minutes without getting the impression that it is an economic and business proposition, which most Senators consider as the result of his sojourn and study in the French capital.

Senator Stewart's Dress.

The death of Senator William M. Stewart of Nevada recalls the strange effects in raiment with which the picturesque statesman from the mining camps surrounded himself.
It has not been many years since the Senator went to a fashionable wedding in a Senator's daughter here. It took place at a reception at the Hotel Waldorf. He was dressed in a broad-brimmed hat and a swallow-tail coat. Later on, he went to the Capitol and attended a session of the Senate in the day's garb in the swallow-tail.

Knows French History.

Representative James Breck Perkins of New York, is an authority on French history. He lived in Paris for five years from 1890 to 1895, engaged in study of the French Revolution and its various works on French history and he produced other valuable volumes as the result of his sojourn and study in the French capital.

Representative David A. Hollingsworth of Ohio is a lineal descendant of the famous Hollingsworths of the Society of Friends, who came to America and landed at Philadelphia in 1682 with William Penn.

They Sold Whisky.

Along Newspaper Row they still preserve this story about ex-Congressman Amos J. Cummings of New York. When the Cummings was city editor for the Sun, one of the star men on his force was Tom Murray. One of the periodical attacks on sobriety was on the town. One of the star men on his force was Tom Murray. One of the periodical attacks on sobriety was on the town. One of the star men on his force was Tom Murray. One of the periodical attacks on sobriety was on the town.

It was the next Thursday when Tom showed up at the city desk.

"Where was he?" growled Cummings.

"Selling whisky."

SMASHING RECORDS.

Mrs. A.—Yes, it was a great sale. Why, I've auctioned knocked down over a hundred pieces of rare china in an hour.

Mrs. Z.—Gracious! He almost equalled the record of our maid.—Chicago News.

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The Rev. Chauncey B. Brewster, Bishop of Connecticut, conducted the services and an address was delivered by former Governor McLean.

Major Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., was one of the honorary pallbearers. Governor Poter, of Rhode Island, and Governor Draper, of Massachusetts, attended the services, and escorted the cortege to the special train which carried the body of the dead governor to Waterbury where it was buried.

At Waterbury a short service was conducted by the Rev. John L. Lewis of St. John's Church, which the late governor attended. The body was then taken to Riverside Cemetery where it was interred with simple military honors, a squad of Governor's Horse Guards, firing a salute over the grave.

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More Numerous Than for Several Years, Local Rivermen Say.

Large schools of herring and shad are running in the upper Potomac between the Chain and Aqueduct bridges. Local rivermen say that they are more numerous this year than for several years back. In spite of the strict police regulations against dipping for these fish, many good hauls have recently been made by dippers.

COLE YOUNGER LECTURES.

TULSA, Okla., April 24.—Cole Younger, once a notorious bandit, member of the Jesse James gang of bank and train robbers, made his debut here as a lecturer on "The Lessons That Might Be Drawn From My Past Life."

POLICEMEN TO BAR
AUTOS THAT SMOKE

Will Eliminate Disagreeable Odors at Concert on Esplanade.

Major Sylvester Issues His Orders.

Large Force Is Detailed for This Afternoon to Enforce Regulations.

Persons in carriages and pedestrians who attend the concert by the United States Marine Band at Potomac Drive this afternoon will not be subjected to the disagreeable gasoline smoke from automobiles and the deafening buzz of the motor vehicles, which were the only unpleasant features that marred the opening of the esplanade a week ago.

Special orders were issued this morning by Major Sylvester to the members of the police force who will be detailed on the drive this afternoon, instructing them to follow the orders and regulations of Colonel Cosby, Superintendent of Public Buildings and Grounds, governing the operation of motor vehicles during the concert.

Cosby's Orders.
"At the entrance of the park," the